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PROTEINS

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**MAIL STOP AMENDMENT**

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**AMENDMENT AND REPLY UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.116**

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed on January 26, 2009, Applicant submits the following amendments and remarks for reconsideration and entry into the above-identified application.

**Amendments to the Claims** appear herein starting on page 2.

**Remarks** in support of the patentability of the claims appear herein beginning on page 6.